

Junior Vice-Commander.

[The column enters to the tap of the drum, or such other music as the Post may provide, under command of the O. D., and moves towards the J. V. C., passing at least once around the room.]

JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—Halt! Officer of the Day, who are these in your charge?

[O. D. responds.] * * *

JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—Their object is a noble one. The Grand Army seeks to unite in a full fraternity of interest and feeling all good and true defenders of the Republic. Officer of the Day, have these recruits been properly examined and found worthy?

OFFICER OF THE DAY.—They have been so examined and found worthy.

JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—You will now conduct the recruits to the Senior Vice-Commander.

CLOSING.

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COMMANDER—Junior Vice-Commander, how may our country be kept undivided and our flag maintained unsullied?

JUNIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—By eternal vigilance, which is the price of liberty.

Senior Vice-Commander.

[The recruits having passed the J. V. C., approach the S. V. C.]

SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—Officer of the Day, who are these in your charge?

[O. D. responds.] * * *

SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—“Every man’s work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man’s work, of what sort it is.” The soldiers of the Republic have passed through the furnace of war, and been tried by fire, and in this noble association seek to manifest their work by the relief of their suffering comrades, and the widows and orphans of those who died that the nation might live. Listen to the words of wisdom!

CHAPLAIN.—* * * but the greatest of these is Charity.

SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—Bearing in mind these sacred teachings and the duties they call upon you to assume, you will now be conducted to the Commander of this Post.

CLOSING.

P. C.—* * * * * Senior Vice-Commander, on what rests the hope of our Republic?

SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER.—One country and one flag.